CLAIMS

- 1. A method for distributing a digital media comprising:
 establishing a connection between a client and a server;
 requesting said digital media with said client;
 obtaining said digital media with said server;
 delivering said digital media from said server to said client across a network
 connection, wherein said digital media comprises an encapsulated packet having a security
 item and at least a portion of said digital media.
- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said packet further comprises: a header and a payload, wherein said payload comprises said portion of said digital media and said header comprises said security item.
- 3. The method of claim 2 wherein said digital media data item is a video stream or an audio stream.
- 4. The method of claim 2 wherein said security item is a triple DES rolling code encryption key.
 - 5. The method of claim 4 further comprising: modifying said encryption key at a regular interval.

- 6. The method of claim 5 wherein said interval is a 45 millisecond interval.
- 7. The method of claim 5 wherein said step of modifying further comprises: incrementing said encryption key by a single binary digit.
- 8. The method of claim 1 wherein said client comprises a general purpose computer.
- 9. The method of claim 1 wherein said client comprises a personal data assistant.
 - 10. The method of claim 1 wherein said client comprises a set-top box.
- 11. The method of claim 1 wherein said client comprises a web-enabled cellular phone.
- 12. The method of claim 2 wherein said packet is a 4096 bit packet and wherein said header is a 128 bit header.
- 13. The method of claim 1 wherein said step of obtaining further comprises: accessing a second server having a database wherein said digital media resides in said database.
 - 14. The method of claim 1 wherein said step of obtaining further comprises:

authenticating said client and denying access to said digital media if said client is not authenticated.

15. The method of claim 1 further comprising:

varying a length of said security item depending upon a geographic location of said client

16. A computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein configured to distribute a digital media, said computer program product comprising: computer readable code configured to cause a computer to establish a connection between a client and a server;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to request said digital media with said client;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to obtain said digital media with said server;

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to deliver said digital media from said server to said client across a network connection, wherein said digital media comprises an encapsulated packet having a security item and at least a portion of said digital media.

17. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said packet further comprises:

a header and a payload, wherein said payload comprises said portion of said digital media and said header comprises said security item.

- 18. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said digital media data item is a video stream or an audio stream.
- 19. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said security item is a triple DES rolling code encryption key.
- 20. The computer program product of claim 19 further comprising:

 computer readable code configured to cause a computer to modify said encryption key at a regular interval.
- 21. The computer program product of claim 20 wherein said interval is a 45 millisecond interval.
- 22. The computer program product of claim 20 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to modify further comprises:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to increment said encryption key by a single binary digit.

23. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said client comprises a general purpose computer.

- 24. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said client comprises a personal data assistant.
- 25. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said client comprises a set-top box.
- 26. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said client comprises a web-enabled cellular phone.
- 27. The computer program product of claim 17 wherein said packet is a 4096 bit packet and wherein said header is a 128 bit header.
- 28. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to obtain further comprises:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to access a second server having a database wherein said digital media resides in said database.

29. The computer program product of claim 16 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to obtain further comprises:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to authenticate said client and deny access to said digital media if said client is not authenticated.

30. The computer program product of claim 16 further comprising:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to vary a length of said security item depending upon a geographic location of said client

- 31. An digital media delivery apparatus comprising:
- a client and a server configured to have a connection established;
- a digital media configured to be requested with said client;
- a storage medium configured to be used to obtain said digital media with said server;
- a network connection configured to be used to deliver said digital media from said server to said client, wherein said digital media comprises an encapsulated packet having a security item and a portion of said digital media.
 - 32. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said packet further comprises:
- a header and a payload, wherein said payload comprises said portion of said digital media and said header comprises said security item.
- 33. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said digital media data item is a video stream or an audio stream.
- 34. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said security item is a triple DES rolling code encryption key.
 - 35. The apparatus of claim 34 further comprising:
- a modified encryption key configured to be generated by modifying said encryption key at a regular interval.

- 36. The apparatus of claim 35 wherein said interval is a 45 millisecond interval.
- 37. The apparatus of claim 35 wherein said step of modified encryption key is configured to be generated by incrementing said encryption key by a single binary digit.
- 38. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said client comprises a general purpose computer.
- 39. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said client comprises a personal data assistant.
 - 40. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said client comprises a set-top box.
- 41. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said client comprises a web-enabled cellular phone.
- 42. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said packet is a 4096 bit packet and wherein said header is a 128 bit header.
- 43. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said storage medium further comprises: a second server coupled to a database configured to be accessed by said server wherein said digital media resides in said database.

44. The apparatus of claim 31 further comprising:

an authentication mechanism configured to authenticate said client and deny access to said digital media if said client is not authenticated.

45. The apparatus of claim 31 further comprising:

a length of said security item configured to be varied depending upon a geographic location of said client